

## Diabetes #1

Write and implement a policy that allows children to manage their diabetes more comfortably in the school setting in accordance with Senate Bill 08 – Care of Students with Diabetes in School.



**Definition:** Work with the school nurse to write a policy that includes such things as: 1) Allow children with diabetes and/or hypoglycemia to have healthy snacks during the day between meal times (to control blood sugar levels); 2) Allow children the privacy, if they desire it, to manage their diabetes in the school setting; 3) Include instruction for teachers of what to do when a student has diabetes or is experiencing hypoglycemia. Then, implement this policy through appropriate teachers, staff, parents and students.

## Resources:

School Nurse

UDOH Diabetes Prevention and Control http://health.utah.gov/diabetes/

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American Diabetes Association www.diabetes.org

1-800-DIABETES 801-363-3024

Helping the Student with Diabetes Succeed: A Guide for School Personnel http://www.ndep.nih.gov/diabetes/pubs/Youth\_SchoolGuide.pdf National Diabetes Education Program 1-800-860-8747 (for a free copy)

Senate Bill 08

www.health.utah.gov/diabetes/resourcesmain/glucagon.htm Karen Roylance, RN

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## **Assignments**

## **School Coordinator Assignments**

- Review any existing policies related to this issue
- Work with the school nurse and principal to develop a policy, specific to your school (include a student and parent if appropriate)
- Include in the policy, ways to reinforce a comfortable environment for students to manage their diabetes
- Review the policy
- Revise policy if necessary and submit to principal for endorsement
- Promote policy awareness among faculty, staff, students, and parents